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98-126US-RE-1/187 P 151

This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.

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Patent Number  
6,015,289

Date Patent Issued  
January 18, 2000

Title of Invention  
Card Edge Connector With Symmetrical Board Contacts

1. ☒ Filed herein is a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b). (Form PTO/SB/96)
2. ☐ Ownership of the patent is in the inventor(s), and no assignment of the patent is in effect.

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Name of assignee/inventor (if not assigned)

Molex Incorporated

Signature

Louis A. Hecht

Date

January 17, 2002

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 6,015,299, granted January 18, 2000, and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled Card Edge Connector With Symmetrical Board Contacts

the specification of which

☒ is attached hereto.

☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as reissue application number \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
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I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

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At least one error upon which reissue is based is described below. If the reissue is a broadening reissue, such must be stated with an explanation as to the nature of the broadening:

During the preparation and prosecution of Patent No. 6,015,299 the inventors and their attorneys failed to appreciate the full scope of the invention. The errors include reciting: "card" and "edge" in each of claims 6-23; "contact pads" in claims 6 and 16; "elongated slot" or "slot" in claims 6, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 22 and 23; and "centerline therealong coinciding with the center of said circuit card when mated" in claims 6 and 16. These recitations arguably could support a claim interpretation which is more restrictive than that to which the patentee is entitled, including the connector must be a card which mates on an edge, the contacts must be pads, a slot must be present, and certain centerlines must coincide.

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**Applicant/Patent Owner: Molex IncorporatedApplication No./Patent No.: 6,015,299 Filed/Issue Date: January 18, 2000Entitled: Card Edge Connector With Symmetrical Board Contactsa Corporation

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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